

REMARKS

Claims 1-13, 15-27, 29-31, 33-40, and 49-50 are pending in the above-identified application. In the Office Action of August 11, 2008, Claim 40 was rejected and claims 1-13, 15-27, 29-31, 33-39, and 49-50 were allowed.

With this Amendment, claims 40 is amended.

I. 35 U.S.C. § 101

Claim 40 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101.

Claim 40 has been amended taking into consideration the Examiner's recommendation. The Applicants respectfully request the withdrawal of this rejection.

II. Conclusion

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that all claims are clearly allowable over the cited prior art, and respectfully requests early and favorable notification to that effect.

Respectfully submitted,

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